

The railroad passed through the draw between the present areas of Western Southern Pines and Weymouth Heights which are both located on the higher elevations. Similarly, the highway bypass has followed the creek lowland parallel to the tracks and again between the wooded hills.

The original town plan was effectuated as conceived except that the walkway system centralized park and common greens are no longer maintained. Later residential developments were sited on more curvilinear road configurations, existing farm trails and more recently the emergence of the planned residential and recreational projects.

As the town grew out of the health resort village stage into a more self sufficient recreational and residential community it dispersed in several directions. Midland Road to Pinehurst and U.S. 1 south to Aberdeen gradually were developed. Weymouth Heights and Knollwood appeared as restricted residential developments with larger homes on spacious lots. A group of exclusive and planned recreational developments focused around golf courses, horse farms, country clubs and recreational lakes have recently appeared. Whispering Pines, Highland Trails, Warrior Woods and the Country Club of North Carolina have recently blossomed in the peripheral areas in a decentralized manner.

REGIONAL SETTING

Moore County has an area of approximately 760 square miles. The general physiography of the region contains aspects of both the Piedmont Crescent and the Coastal Plain of the State of North Carolina. The Sandhills depict a rolling hilly and sandy soil area centered around Moore County. In the midst of the Sandhills are Southern Pines, Pinehurst, Whispering Pines, and Aberdeen recreational resorts and urban areas.

This famed region has no large rivers, but it has many small creeks. Lakes and ponds, both natural and artificial are in abundance over the terrain. The water, filtered through the sand,